

Modelling Spectral Hole Burning of EDFA Assuming a Small Number of Distinct Groups of Erbium Ions

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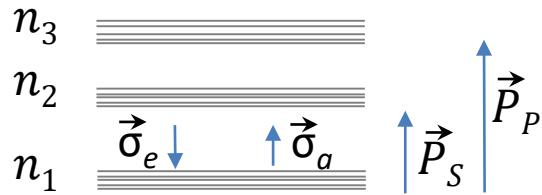
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Motivation

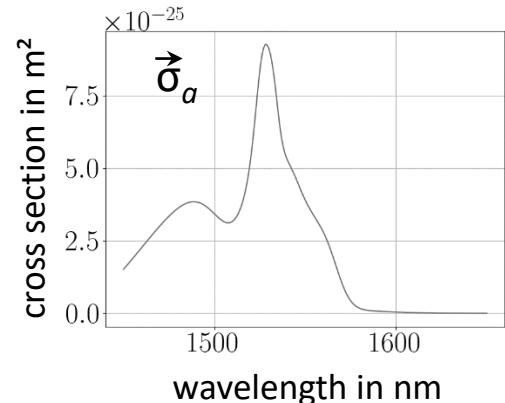
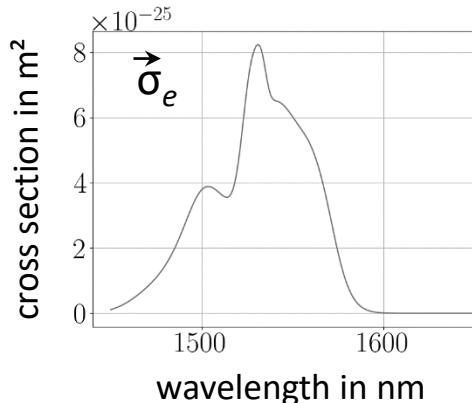
- Adaptation to changing traffic patterns and energy efficient operation may be desired
 - ➡ dynamical activation and deactivation of WDM channels
- EDFA are operated in saturation and cause transients
- Enhancement of current EDFA models
 - ➡ e.g. spectral hole burning effect

Modelling Approach

EDFA as three-level laser system



$$\frac{d\vec{P}_S}{dz} = \vec{P}_S (\vec{\sigma}_e n_2 - \vec{\sigma}_a n_1)$$



Modelling Approach

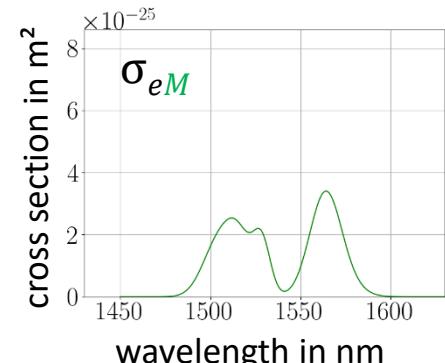
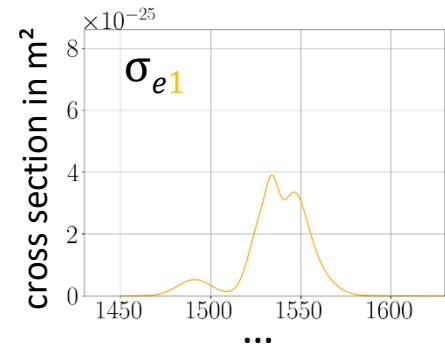
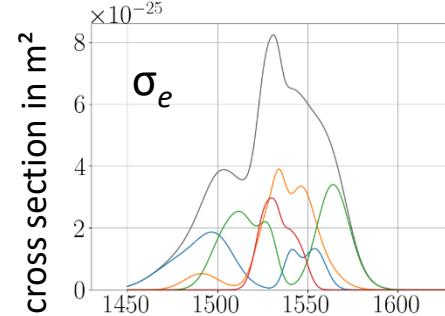
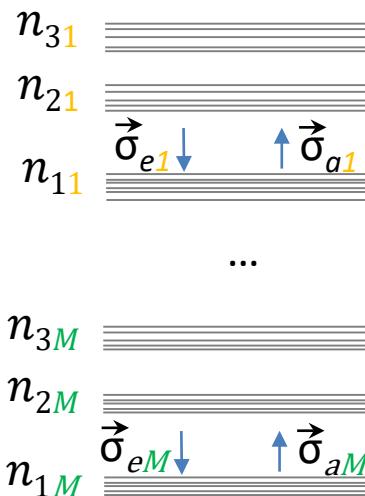
Erbium Ion Groups

$$\frac{dP_S}{dz} = P_S \sum_{i=1}^M (\sigma_{ei} n_{2i} - \sigma_{ai} n_{1i})$$

$$= P_S (\sigma_{e1} n_{21} - \sigma_{a1} n_{11}) +$$

...

$$P_S (\sigma_{eM} n_{2M} - \sigma_{aM} n_{1M})$$



Modelling Approach

Derivation of Cross Sections of Erbium Ion Groups

$$\frac{d\vec{P}_S}{dz} = \vec{P}_S \sum_{i=1}^M (\vec{\sigma}_{ei} n_{2i} - \vec{\sigma}_{ai} n_{1i})$$

$$= \vec{P}_S \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M (\vec{\sigma}_{ei} n_2 - \vec{\sigma}_{ai} n_1)$$

$$\approx \vec{P}_S (\vec{\sigma}_e n_2 - \vec{\sigma}_a n_1)$$

$$n_{1i} = \frac{n_1}{M}$$

$$n_{2i} = \frac{n_2}{M}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^M \vec{\sigma}_{ei} \approx M \vec{\sigma}_e$$

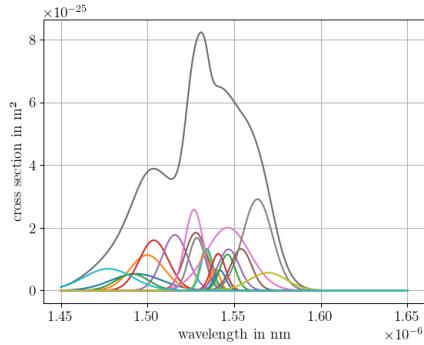
$$\sum_{i=1}^M \vec{\sigma}_{ai} \approx M \vec{\sigma}_a$$



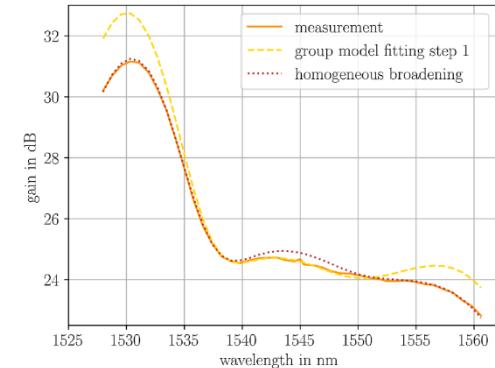
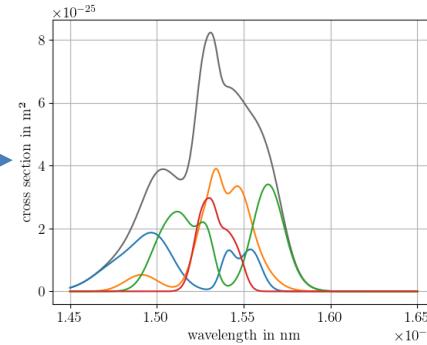
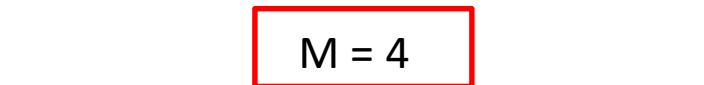
Modelling Approach

Fitting of Cross Section Spectra of Erbium Ion Groups

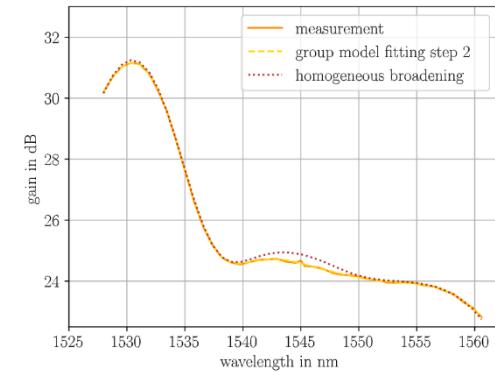
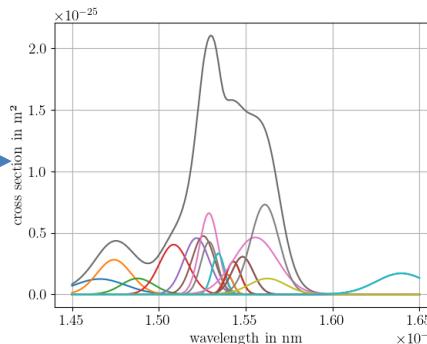
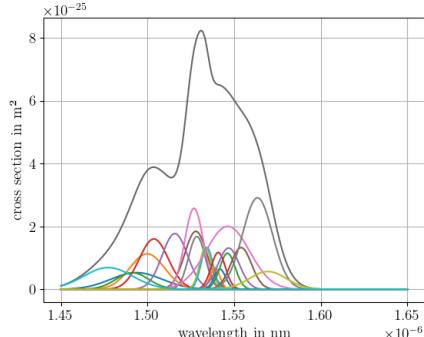
Step 1 $M \vec{\sigma}_e, M \vec{\sigma}_a$



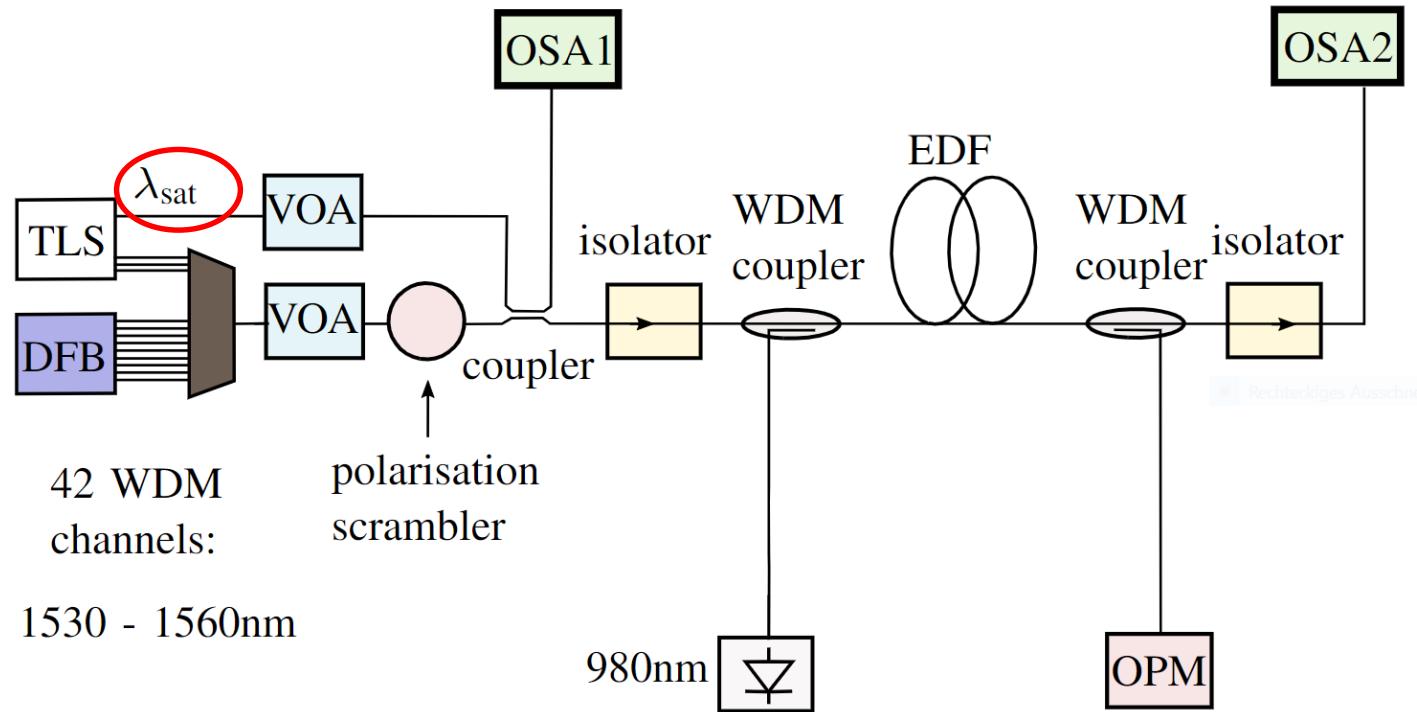
M = 4



Step 2 $M \vec{\sigma}_e \rightarrow M \vec{\sigma}_{eII}$

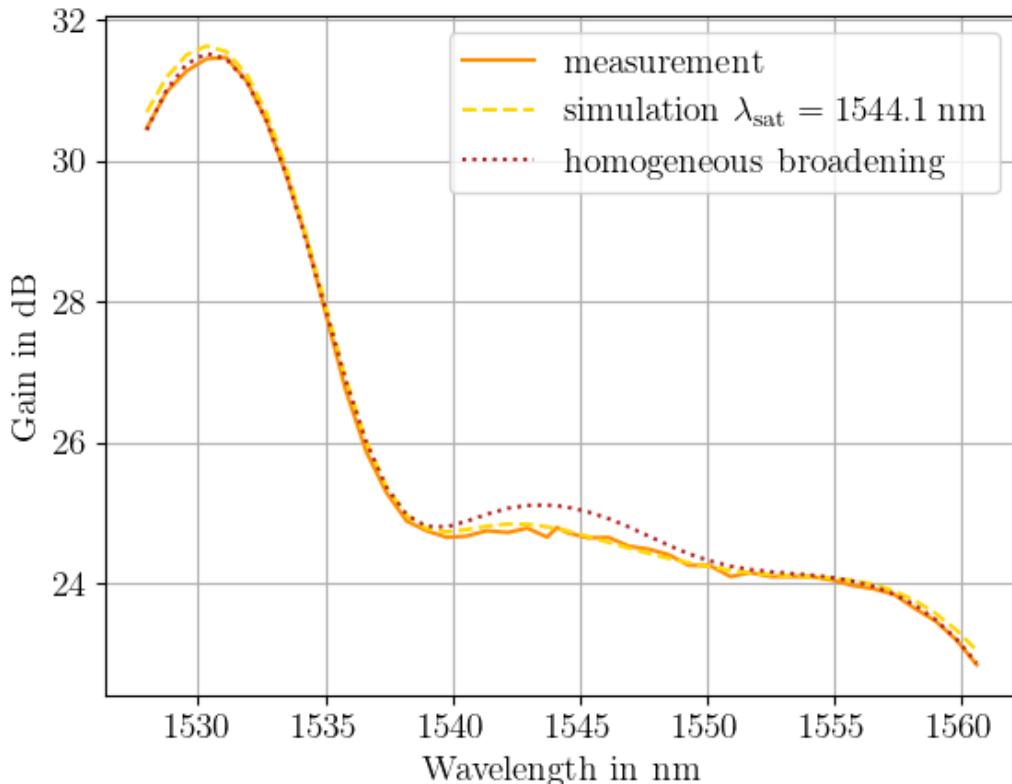


Measurement Set-Up



Results

Erbium ion group model approach fitted at $\lambda_{\text{sat}} = 1545\text{nm}$ shows decent agreement for $\lambda_{\text{sat}} = 1541.7 - 1547.3\text{nm}$



	Parameter	Value	Unit
	WDM signal	1527.99 - 1560.61	nm
	λ_{sat}	1544.1	nm
	$P[\lambda_{\text{sat}}]$	≈ -4.9	dBm
	M	4	
Model fitting	λ_{sat}	1545	nm
	w_1	≈ 16	nm
	L	20	nm
	$\Sigma \text{Indices}_i$	45 - 50	

Summary

- Modelling approach for the spectral hole burning was presented
- Erbium ions contribute differently to the gain spectrum depending on the site they occupy
- Measurement results are used to fit the modelling approach in a two-step procedure
- The fitting procedure was performed for a saturating channel at $\lambda_{\text{sat}} = 1545\text{nm}$
- The model shows decent agreement for saturating channels with $\lambda_{\text{sat}} = 1541.7 - 1547.3\text{nm}$